

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 871

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Wesley Bland, 2008 Valedictorian of Portland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Wesley Bland is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Portland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Bland has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Wesley Bland has earned an exemplary 3.86 grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Academic Team, the National Council for the Social Studies, and the Governor's School for the Sciences and Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Wesley is also an active and devout member of Portland Church of Christ, which he serves faithfully; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bland's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Harding University in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Wesley's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Richard and Denise Hudson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bland's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Portland High School Valedictorian, Wesley Bland, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.